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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization's (TMPO) 2004/5 - 2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	State and Transit Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none">Adds or modifies projects from the Lake Tahoe Basin region. The amendment includes projects with funding from the National Highway System, and various Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP Amendment No. 2 for inclusion into California's 2004/05 - 2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP and projects shown outside the State of California, are not approved as part of this FTIP and are shown for information only. These projects are included and submitted by TMPO through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

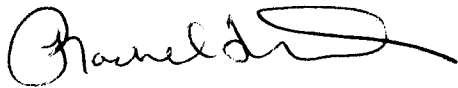
The updated programming is for project types within Table 2 and 3 - Exempt Projects, of 40 CFR § 93.126 and § 93.127 that are exempt from the conformity determination requirement. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. TMPO prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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